

**BEFORE THE
MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:)

TODD PATRICK HOWELL, M.D.)

File No. 800-2016-025598

**Physician's and Surgeon's
Certificate No. A 105708)**

Respondent)

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order for Public Reprimand is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2017.

IT IS SO ORDERED July 14, 2017.

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

By:



**Jamie Wright, J.D., Chair
Panel A**

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9 **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**
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11 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 800-2016-025598

12 **TODD PATRICK HOWELL, M.D.**
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14 **Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No.**
A105708

STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
DISCIPLINARY ORDER FOR PUBLIC
REPRIMAND

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16 Respondent.

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18 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
19 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

20 PARTIES

21 1. Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board
22 of California (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in
23 this matter by Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California, by Emily L. Brinkman,
24 Deputy Attorney General.

25 2. Respondent, Todd Patrick Howell, M.D. (Respondent) enters into this Stipulated
26 Settlement in consultation with his legal counsel, Shelley A. Carder, whose address is: Nelson
27 Hardiman LLP, 11835 West Olympic Blvd. Suite 900, Los Angeles, CA 90064.

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1 3. On or about October 3, 2008, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate
2 No. A105708 to Todd Patrick Howell, M.D.. The Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in
3 full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 800-2016-
4 025598, and will expire on March 31, 2018, unless renewed.

5 JURISDICTION

6 4. Accusation No. 800-2016-025598 was filed before the Board, and is currently
7 pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were
8 properly served on Respondent on November 16, 2016. Respondent timely filed his Notice of
9 Defense contesting the Accusation.

10 5. A copy of Accusation No. 800-2016-025598 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated
11 herein by reference.

12 ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

13 6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
14 charges and allegations in Accusation No. 800-2016-025598. Respondent has also carefully read,
15 fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and
16 Disciplinary Order for Public Reprimand.

17 7. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
18 hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine
19 the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right
20 to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of
21 documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other
22 rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

23 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
24 every right set forth above.

25 CULPABILITY

26 9. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation
27 No. 800-2016-025598.

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10. Respondent agrees that his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate is subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

CONTINGENCY

11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Medical Board of California. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Medical Board of California may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order for Public Reprimand shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order for Public Reprimand, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order for Public Reprimand:

DISCIPLINARY ORDER

A. PUBLIC REPRIMAND

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A105708 issued to Respondent, Todd Patrick Howell, M.D. shall be and is hereby Publicly Reprimanded pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 2227, subdivision (a)(4). This Public Reprimand, which is issued in connection with Respondent's actions set forth in Accusation No. 800-2016-025598 is as follows:

On August 15, 2016 the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (Louisiana

Board) and Respondent entered into a Consent Order (Order). The basis of the Order was that Respondent improperly prescribed testosterone to young male patients without documenting medical justification, including any biochemical testing to show hypogonadism. As part of the Order, the Louisiana Board placed Respondent on probation for one year. During the probation period Respondent will be required to report in person to the Louisiana Board, comply with the Endocrinology and Metabolism Guidelines, submit to a practice monitor, complete 50 hours of continuing medical education, to pay various fines and fees, and comply with other standard terms and conditions.

B. EDUCATION COURSE. Within 60 calendar days of the effective date of this Decision, Respondent shall submit to the Board or its designee for its prior approval educational program(s) or course(s) which shall not be less than 25 hours. The educational program(s) or course(s) shall be aimed at correcting any areas of deficient practice or knowledge and shall be Category I certified, including coursework related to the prescribing of medication including testosterone. The educational program(s) or course(s) shall be at Respondent's expense and shall be in addition to the Continuing Medical Education (CME) requirements for renewal of licensure. Following the completion of each course, the Board or its designee may administer an examination to test Respondent's knowledge of the course. Failure to complete the coursework within 60 days of the effective date of this Decision shall constitute unprofessional conduct and be grounds for further disciplinary action.

C. PRESCRIBING PRACTICES COURSE. Within 60 calendar days of the effective date of this Decision, Respondent shall enroll in a course in prescribing practices approved in advance by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall provide the approved course provider with any information and documents that the approved course provider may deem pertinent. Respondent shall participate in and successfully complete the classroom component of the course not later than six (6) months after Respondent's initial enrollment. Respondent shall successfully complete any other component of the course within one (1) year of enrollment. The prescribing practices course shall be at Respondent's expense and shall be in addition to the Continuing Medical Education (CME) requirements for renewal of licensure.

A prescribing practices course taken after the acts that gave rise to the charges in the Accusation, but prior to the effective date of the Decision may, in the sole discretion of the Board or its designee, be accepted towards the fulfillment of this condition if the course would have

1 been approved by the Board or its designee had the course been taken after the effective date of
2 this Decision.

3 Respondent shall submit a certification of successful completion to the Board or its
4 designee not later than 15 calendar days after successfully completing the course, or not later than
5 15 calendar days after the effective date of the Decision, whichever is later. Failure to complete
6 the coursework within 90 days of the effective date of this Decision shall constitute
7 unprofessional conduct and be grounds for further disciplinary action.

8 ACCEPTANCE

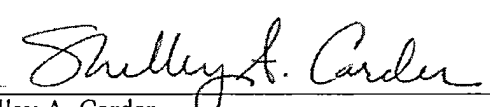
9 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully
10 discussed it with my attorney, Shelley A. Carder. I understand the stipulation and the effect it
11 will have on my Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and
12 Disciplinary Order for Public Reprimand voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to
13 be bound by the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California.

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15 DATED: 6/7/2017 -


16 TODD PATRICK HOWELL, M.D.
Respondent

17 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent, Todd Patrick Howell, M.D., the terms and
18 conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order
19 for Public Reprimand. I approve its form and content.

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21 DATED: 06/07/17


22 Shelley A. Carder
Attorney for Respondent

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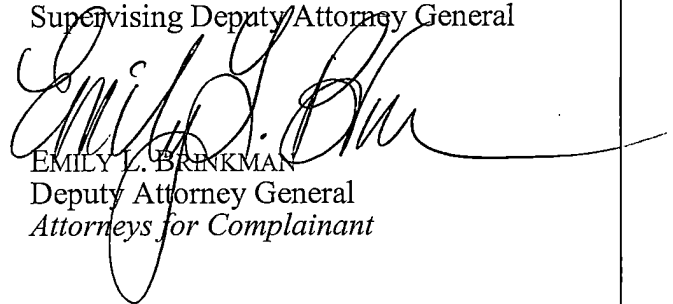
ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Medical Board of California.

Dated: 6/14/2017

Respectfully submitted,

XAVIER BECERRA
Attorney General of California
JANE ZACK SIMON
Supervising Deputy Attorney General


EMILY L. BRINKMAN
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 800-2016-025598

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BY *[Signature]* ANALYST

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A C C U S A T I O N

14 **Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate**
15 **No. A105708,**

16 Respondent.

17 Complainant alleges:

18 **PARTIES**

19 1. Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her official
20 capacity as the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer
21 Affairs (Board).

22 2. On or about October 3, 2008, the Medical Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's
23 Certificate Number A105708 to Todd Patrick Howell, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's and
24 Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein
25 and will expire on March 31, 2018, unless renewed.

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1 **JURISDICTION**

2 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board,¹ under the authority of the following
3 laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

4 4. Section 2227 of the Code provides that a licensee who is found guilty under the
5 Medical Practice Act may have his or her license revoked, suspended for a period not to exceed
6 one year, placed on probation and required to pay the costs of probation monitoring, or such other
7 action taken in relation to discipline as the Board deems proper.

8 5. Section 141 of the Code states:

9 "(a) For any licensee holding a license issued by a board under the jurisdiction of the
10 department, a disciplinary action taken by another state, by any agency of the federal government,
11 or by another country for any act substantially related to the practice regulated by the California
12 license, may be a ground for disciplinary action by the respective state licensing board. A
13 certified copy of the record of the disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state,
14 an agency of the federal government, or another country shall be conclusive evidence of the
15 events related therein.

16 "(b) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from applying a specific statutory
17 provision in the licensing act administered by that board that provides for discipline based upon a
18 disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal
19 government, or another country."

20 6. Section 2305 of the Code states:

21 "The revocation, suspension, or other discipline, restriction or limitation imposed by
22 another state upon a license or certificate to practice medicine issued by that state, or the
23 revocation, suspension, or restriction of the authority to practice medicine by any agency of the
24 federal government, that would have been grounds for discipline in California of a licensee under
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27 ¹ The term "Board" means the Medical Board of California. "Division of Medical
28 Quality" or "Division" shall also be deemed to refer to the Board. (Bus. & Prof. Code section 2002.)

1 this chapter [Chapter 5, the Medical Practice Act] shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action
2 for unprofessional conduct against the licensee in this state."

3 7. Section 2234 of the Code provides that the Board shall take action against any
4 licensee who is charged with unprofessional conduct.

5 CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

6 **(Discipline, Restriction, or Limitation Imposed by Another State)**

7 8. On August 15, 2016 the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (Louisiana
8 Board) and Todd Patrick Howell, M.D. (Respondent) entered into a Consent Order (Order). The
9 basis of the Order was that Respondent improperly prescribed testosterone to young male patients
10 without documenting medical justification, including any biochemical testing to show
11 hypogonadism. As part of the Order, the Louisiana Board placed Respondent on probation for
12 one year. During the probation period Respondent will be required to report in person to the
13 Louisiana Board, comply with the Endocrinology and Metabolism Guidelines, submit to a
14 practice monitor, complete 50 hours of continuing medical education, to pay various fines and
15 fees, and comply with other standard terms and conditions. A copy of the Order is attached as
16 Exhibit A.

17 9. Respondent's conduct and the action of the Louisiana Board as set forth in paragraph
18 8, above, and within the actual Louisiana Board documents attached as Exhibit A, constitute
19 unprofessional conduct within the meaning of section 2305 and conduct subject to discipline
20 under section 141(a).

21 PRAYER

22 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
23 and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision:

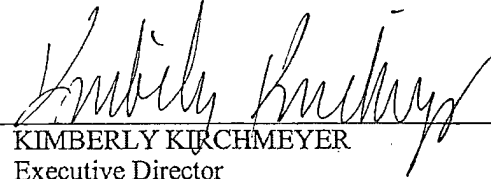
24 1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number A105708,
25 issued to Todd Patrick Howell, M.D.;

26 2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Todd Patrick Howell, M.D.'s authority
27 to supervise physician assistants, pursuant to section 3527 of the Code;
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1 3. Ordering Todd Patrick Howell, M.D., if placed on probation, to pay the Board the
2 costs of probation monitoring; and

3 4. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

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5 DATED: November 16, 2016



KIMBERLY KIRCHMEYER
Executive Director
Medical Board of California
Department of Consumer Affairs
State of California
Complainant

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EXHIBIT A

Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners License Verification and Consent Order

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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License Verification

September 7, 2016

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is to certify that the records of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners indicate the following information regarding:

Name:	TODD HOWELL MD
Business Address:	8940 BLUEBONNET BLVD. STE 300 Baton Rouge, LA 70810
Professional School Information:	LOUISIANA STATE UNIV SCH OF MED
Credential Definition:	PHYSICIAN
License Number:	MD.024939
Date Issued:	February 1, 2002
Expiration Date:	3/31/2017
Status of License:	ACTIVE
Discipline Status:	PROBATION

To expedite the verification/endorsement process, the above is the standard format for all professions regulated by this Board.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Esparanza Spooner", is written over a horizontal line.

Esparanza Spooner, Program Compliance Officer

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In The Matter of

No. 15-I-29

TODD PATRICK HOWELL, M.D.
(Certificate No. MD. 024939).
Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

The above-entitled proceeding was docketed for investigation by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") following the receipt of apparently reliable information which indicated that Todd Patrick Howell, M.D. ("Dr. Howell"), a physician that was and is at all times material to the facts and matters alleged herein, licensed by the Board as a physician and engaged in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana, pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, (the "Act"), La. Rev. Stat. §§37:1261-92, was improperly prescribing Testosterone to young male patients. Review of a sample of patient charts revealed a recurring pattern of prescribing testosterone therapy in young males without documented medical justification, including the lack of any biochemical evidence of hypogonadism.

While denying any violations of the Act or any federal or state law or regulation, not admitting to the facts as alleged, and for purposes of this Consent Order only, as evidenced by his subscription to this Order, Dr. Howell acknowledges that the foregoing information could provide the Investigating Officer for the Board with probable cause to pursue formal administrative proceedings against him for violation of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§37:1285A(14)¹, constituting sufficient cause for the revocation, suspension or such other action against his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana as the Board may determine appropriate.

Recognizing his right to notice and administrative adjudication of any charges that may be asserted against him in these proceedings, at which time Dr. Howell would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence on his own behalf in

¹The Board may take action against a physician licensed to practice in this state as a result of: "[C]ontinuing or recurring medical practice which fails to satisfy the prevailing and usually accepted standards of medical practice in this state". La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285A(14).

defense or in mitigation of the charges made and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955-965, Dr. Howell, nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice and formal adjudication and pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D), consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. Dr. Howell acknowledges that he hereby waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951 *et seq.*, or which may be afforded to him by any other law to contest or appeal his agreement to or the force and effect of the Board's investigation or this Order in any court or other forum. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Howell also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Order to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose to and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation and he waives any objection to such disclosures under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960. Dr. Howell expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of such information to the Board by the Investigating Officer shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to proceed with the adjudication of an administrative complaint against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such complaint should the Board decline to approve this Order. Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285, La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D), and the Consent Order heretofore entered herein;

IT IS ORDERED that the license of Todd Patrick Howell, M.D. to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. 024939, shall be on **PROBATION** for one (1) year; *provided, however*, that such licensure and Dr. Howell's continuing exercise of rights and privileges granted thereby, shall be conditioned upon and subject to his acceptance of and strict compliance with the following terms, conditions and restrictions:

(1) **Personal Appearance before the Board.** Dr. Howell shall personally appear before the Board or its designee to permit the Board to consider his intentions to be in compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions contained in this order.

(2) **Compliance with Endocrinology and Metabolism Guidelines.** Dr. Howell shall under take all necessary efforts to practice in compliance with the practice guidelines regarding evaluation and treatment of androgen deficiency syndromes in adult males that were published in the Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism, *Testosterone Therapy in Men with Androgen Deficiency Syndromes: An Endocrine Society Clinical Practice Guideline*, published in June, 2010, including any amendments/revisions to the Guideline (hereinafter referred to as the "Guideline").

(3) **Practice Monitoring and Quarterly Reports.** Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Order, Dr. Howell shall enter into a contract with a Board-approved practice monitor program to monitor and review Dr. Howell's male testosterone therapy practice during the probationary period. The program will work in conjunction with the Board's designee to develop parameters for monitoring Dr. Howell's practice, including a review of Dr. Howell's patient records and charts. The practice monitor shall review no less than ten (10)

records per 10 week period. The practice monitoring program will provide regular reports to the Board that will include an opinion as to whether Dr. Howell is practicing in compliance with the above-referenced Guideline. This practice monitoring of Dr. Howell shall not conclude until the Board has received four (4) positive reports from the practice monitor; provided, however, after the Board has received three (3) positive reports in which the practice monitoring program has opined that Dr. Howell is practicing in accordance with the Guideline, Dr. Howell may petition the Board to deem this condition satisfied, which the Board may grant or deny in its sole discretion. In the event the Board does not receive the requisite number of positive reports, the practice monitoring will continue at the Board's discretion or until the probation is terminated. Dr. Howell shall bear all costs associated with the practice monitor program.

(4) **Continuing Medical Education.** Dr. Howell shall obtain not less than fifty (50) credit hours per year during his probationary term through attendance at and participation in continuing medical education programs ("CME") accredited by the American College of Physicians, the American Medical Association, or such other national accrediting association or organization as the Board may approve in writing. On or before the anniversary of the effective date of this Order, Dr. Howell shall cause to be submitted to the Board written certification of the CME programs and credits completed by him during the preceding twelve (12) months. This 50-hour requirement will also satisfy the annual 20-hour physician CME requirement set by the Board.

(5) **Absence from State/Practice/Effect on Probation.** Should Dr. Howell at any time during the period of probation ordered herein be absent from the state of Louisiana, relocate to and/or take up residency in another state or country or discontinue practicing medicine for a period of thirty (30) days or more, or should he fail to renew his license to practice medicine in this state, he shall advise the Board in writing. In such instance, the probationary period ordered herein and all terms, conditions and restrictions thereof shall be deemed interrupted and extended and shall not commence to run until Dr. Howell notifies the Board in writing that he has returned to, relocated or taken up residency in, resumed the practice of medicine in this state, or renewed his Louisiana medical license. In such instance, Dr. Howell shall not receive credit toward completion of the probationary period for the time during which he was absent from the State of Louisiana or while he was not engaged or licensed to practice medicine in this state.

(6) **Cooperation with Board's Probation and Compliance Officer.** Dr. Howell shall immediately notify the Board's Probation and Compliance Officer of any change in his current home and professional addresses and telephone numbers and he shall direct all matters required pursuant to this Consent Order to the attention of the Probation and Compliance Officer, with whom he shall cooperate on all matters and inquiries pertaining to his compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Order.

(7) **Probation Monitoring Fee.** For each year of the probationary term Dr. Howell shall pay the Board a probation monitoring fee of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars. Payment of the initial fee shall be due not later than sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Order.

(8) **Payment of Fine.** Within one hundred eighty (180) days after the effective date of this Order, Dr. Howell shall pay to the Board a fine in the amount of Two Thousand, Five Hundred (\$2,500.00) Dollars. Dr. Howell acknowledges that the timely payment of the fine is his obligation and responsibility and agrees to cease practicing medicine if the fine is not paid as agreed to in this Order; specifically, if Dr. Howell has received written confirmation that the full amount of the fine has not been received by the Board within 180 days of the effective date of this order, he shall cease practicing medicine until written confirmation is received from the Board.

(9) **Certification of Compliance with Probationary Terms.** At least sixty (60) days prior to the conclusion of the probationary term imposed herein, Dr. Howell shall provide the Board with an affidavit certifying that he has complied with each of the terms of probation imposed by this Order. The probationary period and all of its terms and conditions shall be, and shall be deemed to be, extended and continued in full force and effect pending Dr Howell's compliance with the requirements of this provision.

(10) **Effective Date.** This Consent Order shall be effective the date it is approved and accepted by the Board as shown by the signature of its representative below.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms, conditions or restrictions set forth by this Order by Dr. Howell shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such other action against Dr. Howell's license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in La. Rev. Stat. §37:1285.

In the Matter of:

Todd Patrick Howell, M.D.

Consent Order

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.

Signed at New Orleans, Louisiana, and effective on this 15th day of AUGUST, 2016.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: 

J. Michael Burdine, M.D.
President

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Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners

Date 09/07/2016

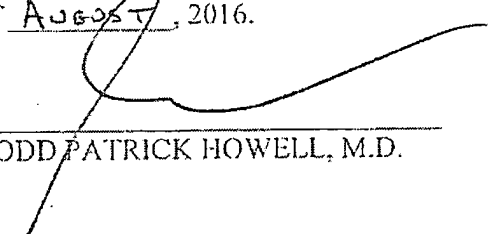
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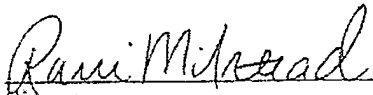
ACKNOWLEDGMENT
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STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

I, TODD PATRICK HOWELL, M.D., hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this 11 day of AUGUST, 2016.


TODD PATRICK HOWELL, M.D.

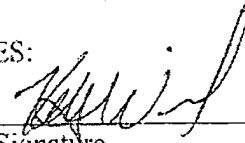
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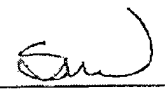

Signature

Kitty Wiessenberg
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Baton Rouge, LA 70810
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11 day of AUGUST, 2016
in the presence of the two stated witnesses.


Notary Public (Signature)

Steven Wiessenberg
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